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We are excited about the establishment of **The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation** and to ask for your financial support as we launch this new initiative.

From the moment we started working on the 5-year strategic plan for our parish and school, it has been abundantly clear that the high-quality, faith-based, and affordable education St. John Fisher offers is so important to the stability of our community and our personal identities. Maintaining these high standards and continuously identifying ways to improve them is what the strategic plan is all about. It clearly lays out common goals the entire community can get behind and is the framework our leadership team uses to make decisions for the betterment of the school now and for the future.

Significant progress has been achieved over the last three years. It is evident in the numerous investments in faculty and staff, enhanced curriculum, advanced technology, and building and grounds improvements. And it is evident in the smiling faces of our students as they eagerly enter their classrooms each morning, share stories about what they learned with parents and friends after school, celebrate their athletic and extra-curricular successes, and demonstrate hard-earned gains on their report cards and standardized tests.

The children of St. John Fisher are our lasting legacies as a parish community. We need to encourage and celebrate their current and future successes just as past generations have nurtured their needs for nearly 75 years. The world is a rapidly changing place. Educating and preparing our students for life beyond SJF requires continued investment in state-of-the-art practices and resources. This has and will continue to increase the operating costs of our beloved school.

The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation has been established to help offset these increasing costs without unduly burdening the young families of our community with significant annual tuition increases. The success of the Foundation will enable us to continue to attract and retain the talented faculty and staff to whom we entrust the daily instruction and care of our children. It will also enable us to carry on the many proud traditions we know as Fisher Falcons, past or present, that contribute to the strength and vitality of our community spirit.

We cannot achieve that success without your partnership. Gifts can be made at our Give Central Portal: <https://www.givecentral.org/appeals-form-registration/acp619e764d3af1b/user/guest>

To learn more, please visit our website at: <https://www.falconeducationfoundation.org/>

With sincere gratitude and in partnership with Mrs. Maura Nash, Principal, Fr. Ken Budzikowski, Pastor, the Parish Council, and the School Advisory Board,

The Board of Directors of The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation

The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation is an independent, not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization that protects and promotes the mission and resources of St. John Fisher School in Chicago, Illinois by raising funds for investment in people, programs, and facilities that enhance the educational experience and opportunities for its students and faculty, therefore enriching the quality of life for its greater community.

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What?

An **independent, not-for-profit** 501(c)(3) organization that raises funds in support of St. John Fisher School.

Why?

To preserve, protect, and promote SJF School's mission and resources, so it remains the **vibrant, affordable cornerstone** of our community it has been for nearly 75 years.

How?

By holding **events and campaigns** to direct giving toward one of four distinct endowment funds; then **investing and spending** those funds on behalf of the school and parish.

Who benefits?

There is a **100% return rate** to SJF School; all proceeds directly benefit its **students, teachers, families**, and, in turn, the community at large.

PLANNED FUNDS



ESTABLISH FOUNDATION, RECRUIT BOARD, SET GOALS

RAISE \$200k FROM MANNA, EVENTS LIKE SPRING GALA, DAY OF GIVING, ETC.

GOALS

DISTRIBUTE \$150k TO SCHOOL COMMUNITY

MAKE A GIFT ONLINE TODAY:

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